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TAGS: OREP (VANIK, CHARLES A)

SUBJECT: CODEL VANIK

REF: STATE 239505

1. CHARGE WOULD WELCOME CHANCE TO MEET WITH REP. VANIK BEFORE HIS TALKS WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS. HE AND MRS. PERRY WOULD LIKE TO INVITE VANIKS AND MRS. TODD TO LUNCH AT THEIR HOME FRI OCT 10 ONCE VANIKS HAVE CHECKED IN AT HOTEL. THIS WOULD GIVE A CHANCE TO CHAT BEFORE ANY INTERVIEWS.

2. WE ARE IN TOUCH WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ABOUT MEETING ON FRIDAY. PRESIDENT CERNY'S SCHEDULE IS RATHER TIGHT, BECUASE OF HIS DEPARTURE FOR US ON TUESDAY OCT 14, BUT CHAMBER IS SEEING IF FRIDAY IS POSSIBLE. (IF NOT, WE TRUST REP. VANIK WILL AGREE TO A MONDAY MEETING.) IF CERNY MEETING INTERFERES WITH PLANNED MEETING WITH ZANOTVSKY AT MFA AT 4:00, ZANOTVSKY MEETING CAN BE POSTPONED. IN ANY EVENT, PLANS ARE FOR VANIKS TO BE WITH ZANOTVSKY AT DINNER.

3. WE REGRET TO REPORT THAT OWING TO ILLNESS, EMBASSY FUNCTION PLANNED OCT 13 HAS BEEN CANCELLED. HOWEVER, EMBASSY IS MAKING PLANS FOR TAKING CARE OF CODEL THAT EVENING.

4. EMBASSY TOGETHER WITH MFA IS PLANNING TRIP TO
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RIDYCANY, PLZEN AND KARLOVY VARY OCT 11-12. EMBASSY

WILL FURNISH CAR AND DRIVER. CODEL WOULD GO TO RODYCANY SATURDAY MORNING OCT 11, THEN ON TO PLZEN BY MID-DAY, WHERE TOUR WOULD BE SET UP (PROTOCOL LOOKING INTO VISIT EITHER TO FAMOUS BREWERY OR TO SKODA WORKS). IN LATE AFTERNOON CODEL COULD GO ON TO KARLOVY VARY AND STAY THERE OVERNIGHT, WITH TOUR ON SUNDAY TO MOSER GLASS PLANT. CODEL COULD RETURN TO PRAGUE EVENING OCT 12.

5. OCT 13-14 CAN, AS PROPOSED IN EARLIER CABLES, BE GIVEN OVER AT LEAST IN PART TO OFFICIAL CALLS BY REP. VANIK. CZECHS ARE VERY EAGER TO MEET WITH HIM. BEST INDICATION OF THIS IS THAT MFA INFORMED US OCT 8 THAT FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE REP. VANIK, AND HAS TENTATIVELY SUGGESTED 3:00 P... MON OCT 13.

6. IF CODEL PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION, WE WILL GO AHEAD ALONG THESE LINES, AND CAN DISCUSS DETAILED PLANS WITH REP. VANIK UPON HIS ARRIVAL.
PERRY

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